ascertaining for himself the real nature of the soil. Even now, all the necessary entries had not been made in the chittahs and, as such, the member said that it was not too late to redress their grievances.

Reply.—On the recommendation of the Party Officer and the Settlement Peishkar and with due regard to local conditions and the previous Payattupattom tax, the present rates have been sanctioned. Government do not see reasons to alter them.

334. Opening of a Sub-registrar's office at Chadayamangalam.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer suggested the desirabilty of opening a new sub-registrar's office at Chadayamangalam.

Reply.—This will be considered.

335. Repair of certain temples at Kottarakara.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer represented that several temples in the taluk, such as Chadayamangalam, Kadakkal, Kottarakara, Kulasekharanallur, Panakkal and Vettikkavala were in a state of utter disrepair and stood in urgent need of improvement.

Reply.—Repairs to temples are undertaken, as already mentioned, to the extent that funds permit, one after another and according to the importance and urgency of each work.

336. Improvement of roads in Kottarakara.

Mr. R. Narayana Iyer represented that there were no proper roads at present in the taluk from (1) Chadayamangalam to Kadakkal, (2) from Kadakkal to South Pallikkal and (3) from Chirankavu to Kulakkada and Puthur.

Reply.—There is already a road from Chadayamangalam to Kadakkal which meets the present requirements. The other works are not considered necessary.

MAVELIKARA TALUK.

337. Opening of a Munsiff's court at Mavelikara.

Mr. G. Idichandy, B. A., Bar-at-Law (*Mavelikara*) observed that Mavelikara was once the seat of a District court and a Munsiff's court, but both these had now been transferred to other places and people had to travel 10 to 18 miles before they could seek redress

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from a judicial officer. He therefore requested that a new Munsiff's court might be opened in the taluk or the principal or additional Munsiff's court transferred from Haripad to Mavelikara.

Reply.—The matter is under consideration and correspondence. The High Court are contemplating the readjustment of the jurisdiction of civil courts generally.

338. Locating the Mavelikara Taluk Cutcherry and Sub-registrar's office at a place accessible to all classes of people.

Mr. Kesavan Padmanabhan (*Mavelikara*) suggested that the prayer might be granted.

Reply.—Lands have been already acquired and estimates for the construction of the offices referred to called for. The work will be taken in hand as soon as funds permit.

339. Improvement of the canal from Arattukadavu to Thodiyil backwater.

Mr. Kesavan Padmanabhan represented that the proposed work was very necessary in the interests of the paddy fields lying on both sides of the canal.

Reply.—This is considered unimportant.

340. Converting the Vernacular Middle School for boys into a High School.

Mr. Kesavan Padmanabhan said that the absence of a Vernacular High School was felt by the successful students of 16 Vernacular Middle schools around Mavelikara.

Reply.—A report will be called for from the Inspector of Schools.

341. Improvement of the road from Pathiyur landing to Nuranad.

Mr. Kesavan Padmanabhan brought forward this representation.

Reply.—The work is unnecessary and entails prohibitive cost.

342. Improvement of the canal from Pathiyur bridge to Padiyil canal.

Mr. Kesavan Padmanabhan requested that the canal might be repaired so as to make it navigable for canoes.

Reply.—This work also is deemed unnecessary. The cost is excessive.

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